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Columbus is having trouble with the telephone situation, kicking vigorously at the increase in rates recently ordered. This matter of efficient telephone service at reasonable rates is one of the biggest questions Mississippi has to handle at this time. The telephone is no longer a luxury, but a necessity. The home without one is fast becoming an exception instead of a rule, the extension of the service to the rural communities is causing more trouble than all else. For several months the writer has been endeavoring to get hold of the "Farmers' Contract" mentioned at times, but has so far signally failed. Hon. R. L. Bradley, railroad commissioner, also took notice of the situation, but has also failed. There is just cause for the next legislature taking some action looking to the regulation of this important matter. The country people need telephones even worse than those in town, and they are deserving of a law that will supply this need and at a rate equitable to all, but at a rate they can pay.

An able paper of the State advocates the passage of a law requiring the corporations that own immense tracts of land in Mississippi to develop it or place it upon the market at a reasonable price so that those desiring homes can buy it and do the developing themselves. While such a law may seem drastic and unwise just at this time, it is likely that the future may demand something of the kind. Foreign corporations have bought millions of dollars worth of our timber lands and are holding for the increase in price that is coming steadily. The greater portion of it was purchased for practically nothing, and up until the past year or two, taxes were paid at a rate of assessment even less than the purchase price. Such a law as suggested might be classified as anti-corporation legislation, but it would apply to individuals as well as companies. The people of Mississippi are frequently placed in a false light as harboring a strong sentiment against corporations. This is not true in any sense of the word. All that our people ask is, that corporations be accorded the same treatment as the man with forty acres and a mule. Mississippians ask for more than that; they are willing to accord to others, but do not want to be treated in a similar manner and that concessions and exemptions to muffled concerns be stopped.

The people of Anzie county are beginning to give attention to other matters besides raising cotton. The record at Gloster speaks of the fact that a number of energetic men are hauling wood to town and selling it at a profit from land being cleared, thereby making it a source of profit instead of waste. Also of the fact that melons are bringing a good price and with a steady demand. One man will plant pretty largely of broom corn next year, encouraged by the extremely high price of the article. It might be suggested that the corn be manufactured into the broom right here at home, thereby keeping the whole amount of money here. Peanuts and other crops will be given attention, and the prediction is made right here that a continuation of this policy will, in a few years, make the territory around Gloster the most prosperous in the State.

The Herald at Water Valley takes up the proposition for a county fair for Yalobusha and Calhoun counties and makes a strong appeal for the organization of such an enterprise. In years gone by there was a good fair at Water Valley, but in the great period of depression it went the way of several others. The people of that section are in a position to make a splendid display of agricultural products, stock raising, and it is to be sincerely hoped that the Herald's agitation will be productive of a revival of the fair for that section.

Mississippi has a large number of commendable innovations to her credit—as many or more than any State in the Union. One of these was the abolishment of imprisonment for debt, a nefarious law that prevailed in all the States of the Union. Away back in 1824—January 23—this statute was repealed and the law was followed by other States. While there may be a moderate number of "shylocks" still at large, the misfortune of a man cannot cause his incarceration in jail. The past history of our State is one to be proud of, and it should be the ambition of every citizen to see that the future is in keeping with the past.

The United States department of agriculture at Washington has recently issued a bulletin on "Eradication of John Grass" that should be of especial value to the farmers of sections where this grass has gained a hold. Copies of this bulletin will be furnished upon application to Farm Management U. S. Department of Agriculture. Thousands of dollars have been spent in devising a plan to get rid of this grass and it would be well for those interested to write for a copy and get the benefit of this extensive investigation.

The flood of advertisements offering sure-shoot and get-rich-quick schemes continues, and suckers bite with alarming regularity despite the repeated warnings of the press. There is no occasion for a man to send a cent of money away from Mississippi for investment, the opportunity is here equal to or superior to those from any part of the world. Put your money into the development of Mississippi's splendid resources and the reward you will reap will be a double one.

MISCEGENATION ADVOCATED

By Professor Zuehlbin of the University of Chicago.

Chicago.—"Shall the white race marry with the negro, or shall the black be permitted to rule the Southern States in which they are numerous?" These startling alternatives, suggested as solutions of the negro question by Prof. Zuehlbin, of the University of Chicago, in an address delivered at the Chicago convention of the school of education today, have caused a profound difference of opinion at the Midway school. "Intermarriage or segregation are the only possible remedies for the race question," said Prof. Zuehlbin. "Either gives the negroes the right to rule in the districts where they are most numerous, or break down the barriers of race by intermarriage."

"Take Mississippi or South Carolina, for instance. Let the black men rule these States. That does not necessarily mean that all the white men and women driven out, but that the black men, who are in the numerical majority, must be given the power to which their votes entitle them."

The Cyclone Fair Association gave a talk on the subject of the fair, and the talk that was voted a splendid success. Good stock from the surrounding country was on exhibition and a large number of interested people were in attendance. The fair spirit is growing fast in Mississippi, and next year it is expected that a dozen new events will be announced.

A large number of newspaper men will be in the make-up of the next legislature; possibly a larger per cent. of the total than ever before. Two of them are slated to enter the contest for speaker—Hon. Walker Wood of Tate, and Hiram Quinn of Hinds. They are a hard-working lot that usually do something for the other fellow and very little for themselves, and it is gratifying to note that in some places this work is being appreciated by the people in a substantial way.

One of the State papers figures it out thusly: "Mississippi will elect, when she gets through with her primaries, one United States senator, 20 State officers, 13 district attorneys, 1,200 county officers and almost 2,000 local officers." As there were only 120,000 votes polled, this would be about 350 to each man elected. Then, considering that two were defeated for every one elected, the division would come down to less than one hundred voters to each candidate. Great is Mississippi and the office-seeking proclivities of her loyal and true citizens who are willing to serve.

The man who looks for something to do in Mississippi is very likely to find it if he is in real earnest.

Diversification means hog and hominy with especially emphasis on both items. Our farmers are beginning to diversify along all lines.

Forget the election and let's get down to work for a "Greater Mississippi" with a vengeance. There's something to it.

If you know something that will benefit your fellowman, let's hear from you.

SAVE YOUR TINFOL.

Save and sell your tinfoil. The recent rise in the price of tin has led to a considerable development in this and other countries.

Several of the best known chocolate manufacturers on the continent have issued the following notice: "Do not throw away the tinfoil in which your chocolate is enveloped. It is composed of pure metal, a metal which is dear. Keep it and before long it will be called for by our agents, who will pay for it at its market value. The chocolate industry in Europe spends nearly \$4,000,000 per annum in tinfoil, and these \$4,000,000 are generally thrown to the winds."

It is further explained that the present high price of tin is due to the action of English and Dutch speculators, who have forced it far beyond its actual value.

What seems to be some color to the alleged precursors of the paper wrapped around the chocolate is the story told by a Socialist journal of Hamburg, to the effect that a group of workmen were able to procure a part of the common library by collecting and selling these fugitive scraps of tinfoil—Chicago Tribune.

SHOULD BE REPRESENTED.

It is of paramount importance that every trade and labor council in the Dominion of Canada should be represented at the twenty-third annual session of the Trades and Labor Council of Canada, which will convene at Winnipeg, September 26, 1907. One of the most vital questions to come before the body will be that of immigration. So, too, the report of the progress of the political action, determined upon at last year's session will be of great interest.

Every day has its opportunities, its troubles, its temptations, its virtues and its sins. At its close, its record is made up for eternity. For good or evil it is just and past forever.

The strong safeguard to our lives is high moral and spiritual habit, the power to guard us in dangerous times, of right custom. How easy and natural to go on doing the things we are accustomed to do, thinking as we are accustomed to feel. It is hard to change habits and what a bulwark it is to our souls! Our habits of thought, feeling and action will generally hold fast against strong attack. And we are apt to keep on our accustomed way, even when it leads us to confront peril and dire great dangers.

PINKERTONS.

It can't be denied that the evidence produced by the defense in the Haywood case demonstrated that one of the most powerful combinations of corporate capital in the United States sent spies and detectives into the ranks of organized labor to locate and bloodied in order that the Western Federation of Miners might be legal, accused of disorder and crime, and disintegrated and destroyed the organization—Typographical Journal.

MOROCCAN TOWNS AND COAST IN ZONE OF PRESENT TROUBLE.

General Says His New Soldiers Will Travel in Style.

Pittsburgh, Penn.—General Coxey, of Coxey's army fame, is to raise a new army. Unlike his first battalion, the soldiers he will now recruit will not march across country to the capital, but will ride in Pullman cars and enjoy the best of the land affords. This general does not make plans just where he is to get the munitions for his warfare, but says they will be forthcoming.

SHOT BY MISTAKE

Territory Officers Thought Minister Was Bootlegger.

Ball Passed Through Heart When Ordered to Halt the Preacher Whipped His Team into a Run.

Tulsa, Ind. Ter.—Mistaken in the dark for a "bootlegger," Sylvester Morris, aged 74, a wealthy retired Methodist minister, was shot and killed at the corner of North Second and Cincinnati avenue late Thursday night by Deputy United States Marshal C. R. Wilson.

The old man was driving a two-horse wagon and was on his way home from his farm north of the city. Officer Wilson, in company with another deputy, had arrested these bootleggers in that neighborhood an hour before and were on a lookout for other violators of the law when the old man came driving by.

He was halted by the officers, who ordered him to give up in the name of the government. Instead of obeying, Morris whipped up his horses into a run. The officers say they then fired three shots in the air to scare the man, but feeling he was not going to stop, Wilson shot twice to kill, both shots taking effect.

One ball passed through the heart causing instant death. The team dashed for home, and neighbors who had heard the shooting came out to investigate the cause, and found the dead body in the wagon.

When Officer Wilson learned of the mistake he surrendered to the police and was given over to the custody of Deputy Marshal Sam Cones.

HELD ON HABEAS CORPUS.

Missouri and Illinois Officers in War for Custody of Arthur Booker.

Hannibal, Mo.—Although Governor Fox, Governor of Illinois, for Arthur Booker, who is wanted in Grand larceny, he is still in the custody of the Missouri officers. Sheriff Thomas of Quincy came to Hannibal last evening to take the prisoner to Illinois, but as soon as he was turned over to him Booker was taken in charge by the Sheriff of Marion county on habeas corpus proceedings.

Judge Duff had dismissed the case against Booker, in which he was charged with being a fugitive from justice. This matter has become very complicated.

It is claimed that Gov. Fox did not make a thorough examination of the papers before he honored the requisition.

FAST MAIL ROBBER.

Three Pouches Reported to Be Missing From Burlington's Car at Omaha.

Omaha, Neb.—It was reported here Tuesday that three mail pouches containing \$250,000 were stolen from the Burlington fast mail train Monday night.

Little has been given out by the authorities, but it is known that several inspectors have been placed on the case.

The sacks disappeared from the Burlington train between Denver and Omaha, Neb.

Quelch Killed as a Hero.

Stuttgart, Germany.—Exported to the railway station, by his comrades and hailed as the hero of the international socialist conference, now in session here, Quelch, the English delegate, ordered to leave Stuttgart for referring to "The Hague peace conference as a thieves' supper, left here for England."

Rob Mail Sack of Gold Dust.

Fairbanks, Alaska.—The robbery of \$50,000 of gold dust, valued at \$12,000, from a registered mail sack, belonging to Eagle and Rampau, is reported. There is no clue to the thief.

Folk Frees a Convict.

Jefferson City, Mo.—Governor Folk has released George A. Norton, of St. Louis, from the penitentiary by commuting his sentence on condition that he obey state laws and abstain from the use of morphine.

MINISTER CUTS HIS THROAT

Was 80 Years of Age and a Disciple of the Oiler Theory.

Los Angeles, Cal.—With the glad voices of little children playing before him ringing in his ears, and in full view of nearly a thousand bathers and several hundred tourists, the Rev. Edward H. Jewett, 80 years old, for fifteen years professor of pastoral theology in the General Theological Seminary of New York, a close friend of Bishop Potter and Bishop Hoffman, and one of the best known ministers in the United States, committed suicide this afternoon at 1 o'clock on Manhattan beach, eighteen miles from this city, by slitting his throat from ear to ear with a razor.

Dependancy because of old age, superinduced by chronic melancholia and years of suffering from rheumatism, given as the causes for the act by the deceased's family.

IMMIGRATION TO THE SOUTH

New Line of Steamers to Mediterranean Ports.

Washington, D. C.—Baron von Pils, director in the North German Lloyd Steamship Company of Bremen, has been in conference with Commissioner Sargent, of the Bureau of Immigration, relative to the establishment of a permanent steamship line to Charleston and elsewhere in the South.

Baron von Pils leaves Monday morning for Charleston, where he will confer with leading citizens, and from which point he will make trips elsewhere into the State and into the South, visiting Memphis, New Orleans, Houston and Galveston for the purpose of informing himself upon the needs for emigrants.

He established a line from Trieste to Galveston four years ago. During the first year 2,000 immigrants came into Galveston, the second year 7,000, the third year 9,000, and last year more than 12,000. During the month of July this year 1,200 immigrants came into the port of Galveston.

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GRAFT EVIDENCE GUARDED.

Pennsylvania Attorney General Puts Watch on Report.

Harrisburg, Pa.—That there shall be no tampering with the books and records that tell the story of state capital graft, the attorney general's department has placed a guard on room No. 402 in the capitol, which was used for six months as headquarters for the investigating committee. Everything on which the committee based its report—contracts, plans, specifications, copies of correspondence, etc., was transferred to the custody of the attorney general when the committee disbanded. Three watchmen have been assigned to the room and will be constantly on guard. This system will be maintained until Attorney General Todd and his associate counsel have determined what disposition to make of the documents.

State Senator John E. Fox, of Harrisburg, who has been retained by the attorney general to assist in the graft cases, arrived home Monday from Europe. He said he had not seen the report and was only familiar with its general character, and therefore was not in a position to speak on the matter.

MAY REOPEN EDDY CASE.

"Next Friends" Counsel Encourage Impression of Further Probe.

Concord, N. H.—Does the action of the "next friend" in withdrawing their suit in equity really mean the end of the legal efforts to penetrate the secrets of Mrs. Eddy's physical and mental condition, or is it merely another move in the game? This is the question agitating the 700,000 members of the Christian Science church today.

The general impression, which the counsel for the plaintiffs have taken pains to encourage, is that within a month the case will be reopened in a new form which will offer less opportunity for the Christian Science attorneys to hamper the efforts of their opponents.

JUDGE SENDS BROTHER TO JAIL.

Magistrate Forced to Incarcerate Relative Accused of Robbery.

Atlantic City, N. J.—"You are my brother, but I must send you to jail without bail," declared Magistrate William Haughey, after he had been called on to sit in judgment on Thomas Haughey, who was arrested with two other young men, charged with holding up Mrs. William M. Starr.

Haughey, with Albert Crouse and Gus Johnson, robbed her of her jewelry and money. The police had "John Doe" warrants sworn out for the trio and the magistrate did not know that one of the men was his own brother until the three were brought before him.

JOHN BROWN'S HELPER IS DEAD.

Daniel W. Lewis Succumbs to Paralytic Stroke in Oregon.

Portland, Ore.—Seized on a street